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entitled:

INFORMATION RETRIEVAL METHOD AND APPARATUS

The following are enclosed:

Specification (39 pages)
 31 Sheet(s) of Drawings
 14 Claim(s) (including 2 independent claim(s))
 This application contains a multiple dependent claim

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Application No. Filed In

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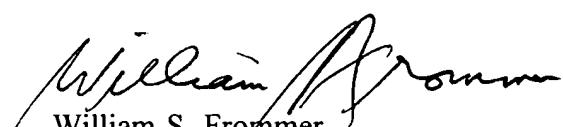
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Enclosed are papers constituting the above patent application which is being filed under 37 C.F.R. 1.53 without a signed Declaration. Please accord a filing date and a serial number to such application and inform the undersigned thereof so that a signed Declaration and the surcharge required by 37 C.F.R. 1.16(e) may be duly filed.

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